



New Cars Come Down—Not the price, but 14 new cars themselves, tumbled down at this Victoria, B. C. agency when the roof collapsed. A salesman escaped by diving beneath one of the eight used cars crushed below. Cause of the collapse has not been determined. (AP Wirephoto)

Top Post to Kent Myers

Salem high school senior, Kent Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur V. Myers, received a top position in the annual YMCA Oregon Youth and Government legislature assembly which is to convene in Salem April 28-29.

Myers was elected speaker of the house for the mock youth sessions Saturday at a preliminary session in Eugene in which the topics of bills, parliamentary procedure and various other subjects concerning the state government were discussed.

In Eugene about 65 Hi-Y boys and Tri-Hi-Y girls from one of the state's four districts heard state officials tell of their duties in the legislative procedure. Also on the agenda Saturday were several University of Oregon speech students demonstrating the handling of a bill as in a house of representatives.

Other officers elected Saturday included Bill Reeves, Springfield, clerk of senate; David Blackmer, Salem, and Janet Elliott, Roseburg, reporters for the sessions.

The duty of the reporters is to write the story of the affair and send it to all newspapers in their respective districts. Blackmer was house of representatives reporter in the 1949 legislative assembly.

Each district will have two officers and two reporters as well as a limited number of senators. Delegates not elected senators by drawing from a hat automatically become representatives.

Senators chosen at Eugene Saturday were Bob Meaney, and Chuck Wilhoit of Salem, Heike Ohling of Albany, Vic Sanders of Roseburg, Lynn Johnson of Eugene and Bob O'Conner of Springfield.

Myers is an active student. He is a member of Able Gregg chapter of Hi-Y, National Honor society, and ticket chairman for the annual Civics club carnival. He also participates in track and golf. Myers has been Salem high school's yell king for the past two years. He was honorary Rotarian for the month of February by vote of the student council.

trees from seed. Mrs. Virgil Sexton gave Dr. Krause of Corvallis report on the culture of chrysanthemums. Guests were Mrs. Lyle Zobel and Mrs. D. V. Randolph.



Singed Cat—This is the housecat, an unnamed female, that—according to a Minerva, Ohio, veterinarian, Dr. William Orr, and a plant superintendent, Joe Bucare—spent 36 hours inside a fiery brick kiln. They say she came out singed and dehydrated, after surviving temperatures ranging upward from 400 degrees. Dean W. R. Krill of the veterinary college at Ohio State university, commented "it's impossible." (AP Wirephoto)

Blast of Gas Kills Woman

Martinez, Calif., March 13 (AP)—A freak explosion of a cloud of low-hanging gas killed a woman and seriously burned two men yesterday.

The blast occurred over the highway along the east shore of San Francisco bay at nearby Oleum. Highway Patrolman Gordon Campbell said the gas apparently escaped from an overhead pipe carrying waste from an oil refinery to a dump.

Three automobiles caught fire after the explosion. The blast was believed set off by exhaust sparks from a car, or an ignition spark.

Mrs. Ursula Adams of Alameda, Calif., was killed. Pvt. Burnett Hale, 21, and John Esta of Berkeley, Calif., were burned. Hale, attached to the Fairfield-Suisun airbase, was burned pulling Esta from his blazing car.

They said that, shortly before the explosion, a fog seemed to be hanging over the highway.

Scio—The new Baptist church parsonage is progressing rapidly. Rev. Elvin Fast and his father are doing most of the work.



Division Chairman—Heading the utilities division in the Red Cross fund campaign directorate is T. W. Lowry. Quota for this division is \$800. The campaign swings into its third week here, Monday, with committee workers out to raise the county quota of \$42,000. Third report session will be Friday noon at the Senator hotel. (Bishop-Moderna picture)

Royal Arch Masons Hosts for Official

Woodburn—A district meeting of the Royal Arch Masons will be held at the Woodburn Masonic temple Tuesday evening with the local Royal Arch chapter No. 29 as host. This will be the official visit of the grand high priest, Robert E. Dodge, who will be accompanied by several of his grand officers. Chapters participating will be Independence, Dallas, Salem and Woodburn and between 65 and 70 visitors are expected. The event will begin with a dinner at 7 o'clock. Percy H. Seely is the local high priest.



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Nespechal Arrested On Felony Charge

Silverton — Held in Marion county jail in lieu of \$5000 bail to await district court action is John Joseph Nespechal, 30, of 509 Jersey street, Silverton, charged with threatening to commit a felony. A shot was alleged to have been fired into the house occupied by the wife of the accused man.

Silverton police who made the arrest reported a bullet had been fired through the wall of the Nespechal home after serious arguments between the man and his wife.

Harley DePeel of the local police force relieved the man of the German weapon as he stood on the porch of the house.

Officers found the bullet had curved off a wall and hit the floor near Mrs. Nespechal's feet. She had accused her husband of threats and said that she had hid a part of the weapon

but on his promise to get rid of the gun had returned the parts to her husband and shortly after this, the shot was fired.

Little Garden Club Holding Plant Sale

Salem Heights — Mrs. Floyd McClellan was hostess to the Little Garden Club of Salem Heights at her home on Ratcliff drive. Mrs. Ed A. Carleton assisted.

Reports on the third district meeting was given, and it was decided to have a paid luncheon and a plant sale at the next meeting March 23 at the home of Mrs. E. O. Welling on Boone road. Named on the committee were Mrs. Virgil Sexton, Mrs. Carl Harris, Mrs. Paul Acton and Mrs. Ed A. Carleton.

Mrs. C. A. Kells spoke on plans and planting care of flowers, growing flowers and

Barber's Scissors Sets Off Battle Over Waist-Long Curls

Pleasantville, N. J., March 13 (AP)—A barber snipped off little Helen Marie's waist-long golden curls and then the trouble started.

Magistrate A. H. Keller freed Barber Edward Anzalone, 57, on \$500 bond Saturday, pending grand jury action on a charge of malicious injury to personal property, brought by her father. Alfred Wilkins of Northfield said his daughter's hair "was our pride and joy."

Mrs. Wilkins testified that six-year-old Helen Marie accompanied her older brother, James, when he went to get a haircut at Anzalone's shop.

Anzalone testified that he "felt sorry for her and thought she must get headaches with all that hair hanging down. Besides, it is more sanitary cut short. I thought maybe the family could not afford to have it cut. I was doing it out of the goodness of my heart."

Mrs. Wilkins said the barber walked over to Helen Marie and snipped off her long curls. She began to cry. Anzalone gave her some candy, he said in court.

Church Holding Dinner

Scio—A potluck supper is planned for the members of the Baptist church on the evening of

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